## **CALTRANS COMMUTER ALERT**



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## BIG BEAR REMAINS OPEN DURING STATE ROUTE 18 BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION

**San Bernardino County -** As part of the ongoing Big Bear Bridge Project, the California Department of Transportation and Flatiron Construction, Inc. will construct a detour on State Route 18 just east of the Big Bear Dam beginning Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 p.m. and continuing through Friday, July 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Incorporating this new temporary detour will enhance the contractor's ability to meet the major project milestone of opening the new bridge to traffic by December 15<sup>th</sup>.

A local detour providing access to all communities in the Big Bear area will be available during this construction activity. Local businesses and other area destinations will remain open and accessible. Motorists are encouraged to drive cautiously through the construction zone. Enhanced enforcement by the California Highway Patrol will be present during construction.

This long-awaited project to construct a new bridge along new alignment of SR 18 began in early 2009 and is scheduled for ultimate completion in 2011. The new bridge will incorporate 12-foot lanes, a left turn lane and standard shoulders. A pedestrian sidewalk will also be constructed on one side of the bridge.

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